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EXDIS - LONDON PASS TO DR. NYE OOB SEPT. 11.

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: NUCLEAR SAFEGUARDS DIALOGUE: COMMITTEE OF INDEPENDENT SCIENTISTS

1. WE HAVE BEEN WORKING ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT THE BEST WAY TO PURSUE OUR DIALOGUE ON SAFEGUARDS WAS THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF SCIENTISTS AND THAT FURTHER DISCUSSION OF THIS SUBJECT SHOULD AWAIT AN INDIAN RESPONSE TO THE PRESIDENT'S LETTER OF AUGUST 14.

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2. WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR ADVICE, HOWEVER, AS TO WHETHER THIS STRATEGY MAKES SENSE OR WHETHER IT WOULD BE BETTER TO SUGGEST A MEETING WITH DR. NYE AND OTHER USG REPRESENTATIVES BEFORE THE GOI FORMULATES A FIRM POSITION ON THE INTERNATIONAL PANEL PROPOSAL. IF YOU BELIEVE IT USEFUL YOU MAY WISH TO DISCUSS THIS QUESTION INFORMALLY WITH SHANKAR AND/ OR MEHTA.

3. WE WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE YOUR (AND GOI'S) SUGGESTIONS AS
TO A VENUE FOR TALKS. WOULD DELHI TALKS AROUSE TOO MUCH
ATTENTION? WOULD IT BE CONVENIENT TO HAVE TALKS ELSEWHERE?
WE REMAIN FLEXIBLE ON THIS POINT. CHRISTOPHER

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